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The Florida Story

## Supreme Council Plenary Session

The first plenary session of the Supreme Council since 1959 Supreme Convention in Boston will be held this

month in Miami, Fla.
Supreme Venerable Joseph Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi of Woburn, Mass., will preside at the sessions to open Friday, Feb. 3, and continue through Sunday, Feb. 5. The sessions



Memorial Home Fund drive, the Sons of Italy Foundation, and a proposed na-

GORRASI tional public relations program for the Order. Trustees of the Sons of Italy

Foundation will also meet during the Council sessions. A progress report on the Foundation will be made by Supreme Venerable Gorrasi. Formal approval of the Foundation by the Internal Revenue Department in Washington, D. C. is anticipated.
In line with the Order's pro-

nouncement that functions be held in 1961 to commemorate Italy's Centennial Year, plans will be made to mark the observance on national, state and local levels.

A. Alfred Marcello, Worcester. Mass., director of OSIA NEWS and national chairman of public relations, will preside at the meeting scheduled for state public relations chairmen. He will

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## A Public Relations Program

High on the

Among the topics to be dis-cussed at the Supreme Council session in Miami, Fla., will be the establishment of a national pubrelations program for the

In attendance at this session will be the state public relations

chairmen appointed by 17 of the Order's Grand

Lodges.
Several
months ago
Supreme Venerable Gorrasi met with National Public Relations Chairman Alfred Marcello of Worces-



questing a complete overhaul of

the Order's public relations setup.

Supreme Venerable Gorrasi urged the formation of a national network of public relations which would integrate state and local units with the National Committee on Public Relations.

The national organizational structure of the public relations network provides for a national advisory group composed of prominent members throughout the country; Grand Lodge public relations and advisory committees and local lodge public relations committees.

Grand Lodges throughout the United States and Canada were contacted and told of the plan. They were requested to appoint a public relations committee and an advisory committee. In addi-

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## Banquet Will Be a Highlight

Supreme Trustee Louis A. Fiorentino of Miami, general chairman of the Florida Grand Lodge committee preparing for the plenary sessions of the Supreme Council, has announced a pro-gram of activities for council

Brother Fiorentino is being as sisted by Co-

Chairman banquet

ohn Copuzelo also of Miami who is state public relations chair-Highlight of the social events will be

honoring

members

the Supreme FIORENTINO Council to be held Sunday evening, Feb. 5, at the Everglades Hotel, headquarters of the Supreme Council sessions.

Among guests attending will be Mayor Robert King High, Robert Haverfield, chairman of the Date County Commission; Judge Fritz Gordon, president of the Chamber of Commerce; U. S. Rep. Dante Fascell and Dr. Roberto Cerchione, consul general of Italy. Renzo Abbondandolo, past assistant grand venerable and a member of the national public relations committee, will be toastmaster.

On Friday evening, Feb. 3, the committee has planned a Sons of Italy Night at the Bay Front Park of Miami. A program of Italian music and songs will be given and Cavaliere Maestro La

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National Home Campaign

## VIRGINIA GOES OVER-THE-TOP'

The Grand Lodge of Virginia becomes the third Grand Lodge to go "over-the-top" in surpassing its \$1,500 quota in the nation-wide campaign to raise funds for construction of the proposed National Memorial Home in Washington, D. C.

Grand Venerable Frank Mon-

tagna of Norfolk, state chairman, last month remitted \$399 to Supreme Financial Secretary erico A. DeMartinis of Philadelphia, comptroller of funds for the Sons of Italy Foundation, to place Virginia "over-the-top" by raising a total of \$1,545. Brother Montagna was assisted by Grand Financial Secretary Vizzini of

#### Richmond Remittance

The latest remittance which placed Virginia over its quota, was collected by Giuseppe Verdi Lodge No. 315 of Richmond.

The seven lodges comprising

the Virginia Grand Lodge each contributed in the state-wide

The Grand Lodge of the Northwest was the first Grand Lodge to surpass its quota of \$3,500. Currently the Grand Lodge has raised and remitted \$3,874.50. Dr. Nicholas Sarro of Seattle, Supreme Trustee, is state chairman.
The second Grand Lodge to

meet its quota was Maryland, raising \$1,500. Marion J. Nasco of Baltimore is state chairman. Members Congratulated

Grand Venerable Montagna expressed congratulations to

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THIRD GRAND LODGE TO MAKE QUOTA Grand Venerable Frank Montagna of Norfolk, right, state chairman, presents remittance of \$339 in Home drive, placing Virginia "over-the-top", to Grand Financial Secretary John Vizzini of Norfolk, for disbursement to Supreme Financial Sec retary Americo A. DeMartinis at the Supreme Lodge office in Philadelphia, Virginia is the third Grand Lodge to meet its quota.

PORT WASHINGTON, N. Y. LODGE CONTRIBUTES \$300



Andrew C. Bongiorno of Glen Cove, left, state chairman, accepts contribution of \$300 to Home drive from Venerable Orlando Scaramucci of John Michael Marino Lodge No. 1389, Port Washington, L. I. Members of Marino Lodge raised the sum at a buffet and dance at which all refreshments were donated by the women of the lodge. New York members have now contributed \$6,202.67 towards their state quota of \$15,000.

### Connecticut Plans April Convention

WATERBURY, Conn.-Grand Venerable Edwin T. Chariott of South Norwalk will preside at the annual three-day Connecticut Grand Lodge convention to be held here April 29, 30 and May 1. The sessions will be held at the

Knights of Columbus Hall- and will be highlighted by the convention banquet. The Leonardo da Vinci Lodge No. 66 will be

Venerable Michael Manfredi has appointed Alexander Iosa as convention committee chairman. Mrs. Isabel Iosa is secretarytreasurer.

The committees: reception, Florence Lorusso, chairman, Mrs. Iosa and Daniel Grassi; arrangements, Louis Orsini, chairman; Louis DiZinno, Angela Guerrera and Raymond Petrucci; progam, Leona Messer, chairman; Joseph Lombardi, Peter Torselli, Orsini and DiZinno; accommodation, Venerable Manfredi and Grand Recording Secretary Louis N. Nardelli; general, DiZinno, chair-man; Lombardi, Lorusso, Messer, Orsini, Grassi, Roland Sica Jr., Ruby Stabile and Elva Stabile.

# Iannucci Is Speaker At Home Dedication

ALTOONA, Pa.—Assistant Grand Venerable James Iannucci of Philadelphia was principal speaker at the dedication banquet of the new \$65,000 home of Blair Lodge No. 958.

The banquet highlighted a

week - long program at which

thousands participated in the

Other speakers included Su-

preme Financial Secretary Amer-

ico A. DeMartinis of Philadel-

phia: Venerable Sam Pellegrino,

Jerry C. Risoldi, banquet chair-

man: Joseph A. Landolfi, toast-

master; Mayor Roy F. Thompson

The Rev. Fr. John Flannelly,

pastor of Our Lady of Mt Carmel

Church said the invocation and

The program of celebration be-

gan on Monday with the ribbon-

cutting ceremony, Formal inspec-

tion tours were held on the fol-

lowing day, and on Wednesday

there was a dance in the new

The Thursday program includ-

ed a full day of entertainment,

which included a dance and cere-

monies honoring the Blair Lodge.

City Lodge Night" and featured

Friday was designated "Altoona

There was another dance on

Saturday night, then followed the

Windber Couple

WINDBER, Pa.-Mr. and Mrs.

Joseph Moraca Sr., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary

at a high mass in St. Anthony's Church recently. A family dinner

Brother Moraca is the only

living charter member of the Windber Lodge, organized in 1919, and has been an officer

since its inception. He has served

as a grand delegate, supreme delegate and grand deputy. Mrs.

Moraca is a member of the lodge

as are all of their 11 children and

many of their 34 grandchildren.

CONCORDVILLE, Pa. - More

200 persons attended the annual

Christmas party at the Grand Lodge's Dante School. Grand Re-

cording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi

was master of ceremonies. Clerk

of Courts Louis J. Amarando, in

the role of Santa Claus, distrib-

uted the gifts to the children. Many of the gifts were donated

by David Cardonick, president of

the Arrow Vending and Distrib-

Guests included Mrs. Alphonse

Ventura, John Montone, Mr. and

Mrs. Thomas Nasuti, Grand Fi-

nancial Secretary Josephine Par-

rillo, Mary DiSilvestro, vicepresident of the Dante School

Commission, and Commissioners

Genoveffa Dezil, Bice DiVirgilio

and Harry DiNenna. Charles Amodei, commission president, was unable to attend because of

Have you purchased a \$5

marble block to help the Sons

of Italy Foundation and Na-

tional Home fund? Do it now!

illness.

uting Co., who attended.

200 At Dante

School Party

was held at Hernandos.

all-day program on Sunday.

Wed 50 Years

and Judge John M. Klepser.

benediction.

ballroom.

a free fishfry.

dedication of the new home.

#### Cortese Lectures At Seminar In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA — Assistand Grand Venerable Americo V. Cortese, deputy prothonotary of Philadelphia, recently lectured at a seminar sponsored by the Joint State Committee on Continuing Legal Education, the American and Philadelphia Bar Associations. The seminar was held in the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

More than 500 lawyers from Philadelphia and surrounding counties attended the meeting.

Cortese spoke on the New Rues on Execution.

## Uniontown Lodge Gives "Toys For Tots"

UNIONTOWN, Pa. — Maria Montessori Lodge's annual Christmas party featured a smorgasbord at Finnell's.

In place of the usual Christmas gift exchange, members brought a "Toys for Tots" which were turned over to the Marine Corps for distribution to needy children.

Venerable Mary Girard was honorary chairman, and Mary Elmo was general chairman, Isobel Maraney was co-chairman.

Members of the lodge joined with Giuseppe Mazzini Lodge No. 231 in sponsoring a memorial Mass for deceased members. The Rev. Fr. Nicholas Thomas of St. Therese's Church was celebrant.

#### Performance By I Vivaci at Sons of Italy Club

PHILADELPHIA — I Vivaci, the Pennsylvania Order's folk-singing group, presented a program of Christmas carols at the Sons of Italy Club. Carl Suppa directed. More than 300 persons attended. Ballad singer Charlie Gracie was also on the program.

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#### 104 Philadelphia Members Make Trip to Miami

PHILADELPHIA — Members of Greater Delaware Valley Lodge No. 2052 voted recently to hold a meeting in the sunny South and then chartered a National Airlines plane for Miami Beach and the Fontainbleau Hotel.

A total of 104 members made the four-day weekend trip at a cost of \$135 each, which included plane fare, hotel room, meals, tips, beach, golf and swimming pool privileges.

Venerable Arnold Orsati was in charge of the group. Olga Lampone was in charge of

## Pennsylvania Grand Lodge To Hold Ball

PHILADELPHIA — The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will sponsor a ball on February 18 at the Convention Hall Ballroom, the first of three scheduled events to be held during the three-month Festival of Italy which opened here last month in observance of Italy's Centennial Year.

The Festival is being presented by the Board of Trade and Conventions in cooperation with the Consulate of Itæly in Philadelphia and under the sponsorship of the Italian Ministry for Foreign Trade,

Armand Della Porta and Mary DiSilvestro are co-chairmen of the Grand Lodge Ball.

The Grand Lodge will also sponsor a dinner on March 22 at the Bellevue - Stratford Hotel. John J. Turchi is chairman.

Another special event by the Pennsylvania Order is a song festival and variety show. Louis J. Amarando is chairman. The date is to be announced.

#### Vincenzo Morro, Drexel Hill, Dies

DREXEL HILL, Pa.—Vincenzo Morro, 96-year-old pioneer of the Order, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Anna Nacchio. He was a founder of Basile-Farinato Lodge, organized in 1913.

Survivors include three sons, James, Thomas and Salvatore and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Rossi and Mrs. Nacchio. All are members of S. F. Girard Lodge. James Morro is assistant venerable.

#### Acchione Lodge Christmas Party

PHILADELPHIA — More than 150 members of John B. Acchione Lodge attended the lodge's Christmas party held in the Sons of Italy building.

Frank Radano distributed gifts and Venerable Joseph Monte welcomed the gathering. The growing strength of the lodge was demonstrated by the fact that 75 young people turned out for the celebration.

#### Ellwood City Christmas Party

ELLWOOD CITY, Pa.—Members of Corona D'Italia Lodge No. 807 held their annual Christmas party in the Sons of Italy Hall.

Mrs. Samuel Berardi, lodge venerable who presided at a brief meeting prior to the party, was presented a gift by the lodge. Mrs. Sam Carnici was welcomed as a new member.

The lodge, which noted its 43rd anniversary on Dec. 30, will celebrate the occasion at a later date.

Philadelphia

## Ambassador Brosio Given Reception

PHILADELPHIA — Top officials of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge were represented at the reception and dinner given in honor of Italian Ambassador Manlio Brosio by the Italian-American community in the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

Extending greetings to Ambassador Brosio were, President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, Grand Venerable James Iannucci, Assistant Grand Venerable James Iannucci, Assistant Grand Venerable Americo V. Cortese, Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi, John P. Crisconi, national home state chairman; Joseph A. Valeo, president, hospitalization fund, and Frank M. Tropea, president, mortuary fund.

## Di Silvestro Heads Senate In Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG, Pa. — State Sen. Anthony J. Dislivestro, a member of the Order for many years, has been named President Pro Tempore of the State Senate.

Disilvestro, who has been serving in the Senate since 1936, is the first Italian-American to be elected to the post, third-highest in the State government.

His father, the late A. Giuseppe DiSilvestro, was the organizer of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and served as its first Grand Venerable.

The 56-year-old senator is also a pharmacist, attorney and newspaper publisher.

## Camden, N. J. Lodge Dance

CAMDEN, N. J. — A large gathering of members and friends attended a dance sponsored by Alighieri-Garibaldi Lodge No. 494 at the Hotel Whittman.

Dr. Lawrence Ragone, lodge venerable, acknowledged the work of the following committee: Dr. Charles Pietrafissa, chairman; Daniel Ragone, co-chairman; Carmen Nocito, secretary; Ben Cardone, treasurer; Florence Ragone, Rudy Mignone, John Proietto, Aldo Mignone, James Visceglia, Rose Zippilli, Helen Virgilio, Anoinette Cardone, Yolanda Thomas, Dan Ragone, Pauline Canzanese, John Saitta, Maria Pietrafissa, Jennie Virgilio, Vincenzo Visceglia, Francesca Piezpiel, Nitti Narciso, Rose M. Bono, Diane Inverso, Dorothy Cavalli and Edoardo Mignone. Thomas Recchuiti and Frank Rizzi were in charge of publicity.



RECRUITS 35 MEMBERS

Arturo Nobilio of Washington, D. C., a member of Roma Lodge No. 71 for many years, has conducted a one-man campaign to increase the lodge's membership during the past year. Brother Nobilio is credited with bringing 35 new members into the lodge.

#### America Lodge Responds To Home Fund Appeal

NEWARK, N. J.—In response to an appeal for funds for the National Memorial Home drive issued by Grand Venerable Francesco Palleria, state chairman, 26 members of America Lodge No. 49 contributed \$3.00 each for a total of \$78.

The lodge was among the first to respond to Grand Venerable Palleria's appeal to meet New Jersey's quota of \$7,500. Palleria reported that \$2,822 has been raised to date.

## Palleria Is Speaker At Paterson

PATERSON, N. J. — Grand Venerable Francesco Palleria was principal speaker at a banquet at which three members of Giuseppe D'Annunzio Lodge No. 22 were honored. More than 600 persons attended.

Honored were Magistrate Charles Alfano, Grand Orator; Venerable Luigi Liguori and Pellegrino Marotta, lodge orator.

Other speakers included the honored guests, Judge Salvatore Viviano, Monsignor Carlo Cianci, and Umberto Borrello, general chairman. Brother Santoro was too strassfer.

Guests included Assistant Grand Venerable Joseph Cassini of Orange, state public relations chairman; Grand Treasurer Nicola P. Maria and Giuseppe Venezia,

Committee members, Maure Galesi, co-chairman; Giuseppe Vittorio and Brother Venezia, secretary.

### Memorial Mass For Deceased

LATTIMER MINES, Pa.—More than \$50 members and friends attended the ninth annual Memorial Mass and Communion breakfast sponsored by District

The Mass was held at the Most Precious Blood Church and the Rev. Fr. Joseph Bucolo, assistant pastor, was celebrant.

Atty. Anthony Sidari, recently discharged from the United State Air Force, was principal speaker at the breakfast held in the parish school. His topic was "Better Understanding of Our Christian Faith."

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis Molino, pastor, said the invocation and benediction.

Angelo Christino Jr., chairman, introduced Neil Durso, toast-master.

The Mass was offered for deceased members of District 19, including those who died during the past year. They were Pasquale Dispirito of Freeland Lodge and Ralph Yanuzzi of Lattimer Lodge.

Michael Giarrazzi, a representative of the Grand Lodge and past grand deputy of Hazelton Lodge, welcomed the gathering.

## Nearly \$48,000 Collected

Reports of State chairmen show that members of the Order have contributed a total of \$47,313.24 in the nationwide drive to raise \$400,000 for the proposed National Memorial Home to be erected in Washington, D. C.

Supreme Financial Secretary

Americo A. DeMartinis of Philadelphia, comptroller of funds for the Sons of Italy Foundation at the Supreme Lodge office, reports that he has received funds total-ing \$35,912.74 as of January 13,

The additional \$11,400.50 has been reported collected by five state chairmen and Roma Lodge of Washington, D. C., but has not yet been remitted to Brother DeMartinis.

The states reporting contribu-tions not remitted, are, Florida, \$2,700; Massachusetts, \$766.50; New Jersey, \$214; New York, \$300; Pennsylvania, \$3,500, and Washington, D. C., \$3,920.

Supreme Financial Secretary DeMartinis reports the following remittances received: Alabama, \$400; California, \$80; Connecti-cut, \$741.26; Massachusetts, \$262; New Jersey, \$21; Ohio, \$240.41; Virginia, \$339, and Washington,

#### Alabama — \$400

ALABAMA - Grand Venerable Carmelo Virciglio of Birmingham, state chairman, has made the first remittance of \$400 since the inception of the drive. The quota for Alabama is \$1,500.

#### Calif. - \$837.25

CALIFORNIA - A remittance of \$80 by Third Assistant Grand Venerable Salvatore Argento of Boyes Springs, has raised the Funds Remitted To DeMartinis

This is a state-by-state table of funds raised in the National Memorial Home Fund Campaign and remitted to Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartinis:

State	Kemittea
Massachusetts	\$6,770.00
New York	\$5,902.67
Illinois	\$5,315.00
Washington	\$3,874.50
New Jersey	\$2,608.00
Connecticut	\$2,313.26
Virginia	\$1,545.00
Maryland	\$1,500.00
West Virginia	\$1,441.65
Ontario	\$950.00
California	\$837.25
Ohio	\$795.41
Pennsylvania	\$580.00
Florida	\$500.00
Alabama	\$400.00
Delaware	\$260.00
Indiana	\$235.00
Rhode Island	\$85.00
Michigan	000.00
Nebraska	000.00
Quebec	000.00

\$35.912.74 Total

current total of California \$837.25. The state quota is \$35,000. State Chairman Argento

#### **National Home Assessment**

## The Latest Figures

Here are the latest figures from the office of the Supreme Financial Secretary on the assessment for the National Home Project. Each member of the Order was assessed \$1.00 for one year by the 1957 Supreme Lodge convention held at San Francisco.

GRAND LODGES					
Lodge	Assessment				
Alabama	\$180.00	\$175.00			
California	\$9,063.00	\$8,008.89			
Connecticut	\$2,715.00	\$2,364.00			
Delaware	\$569.00	\$458.00			
Florida	\$903.00	\$894.00			
Illinois	\$2,300.00	\$1,855.00			
Indiana	\$488.00	\$454.00			
Maryland	\$378.00	\$379.00 (1)			
Massachusetts	\$19,218.00	\$19,235.50 (2)			
Michigan	\$354.00	\$349.00			
Nebraska	\$482.00	\$303.00			
New Jersey	\$2,180.00	\$2,000.00			
New York	\$4.116.00	\$6,825.00 (3)			
Ohio	\$3,769.00	\$3,300.00			
Ontario	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00 (4)			
Pennsylvania	\$40,336.00	\$40,504.00 (5)			
Rhode Island	\$1,348.00	\$1,468.00 (6)			
Virginia	\$479.00	\$387.00			
The Northwest	\$1,205.00	\$1,174.00			
West Virginia	\$1,643.00	\$1,577.00			
Totals	\$92,726.00	\$93,210.39			
Subordinate Lodges					
Lodge		Paid to Date			

Suborumate Louges				
Lodge	Assessment	Paid to Date		
Vittoria Colonna Lodge				
No. 1355				
Racine, Wis	\$100.00	000.00		
Roma Lodge No. 71				
Washington, D. C	\$433.00	\$1,000.00 (7)		
Roma Lodge No. 1196				
Racine, Wis	\$160.00	000.00		
Anita Garibaldi Lodge				
No. 161, Vermont	\$93.00	000.00		
Cristoforo Colombo Lodge				
No. 414, Rutland, Vt.	\$155.00	000.00		
Totals	\$941.00	21 000 00		
Totals	\$341.00	\$1,000.00		

(1) Represents an overpayment of \$1.00.
(2) Represents an overpayment of \$1.750.
(3) Represents an overpayment of \$2,709.00.
(4) Represents an overpayment of \$500.00.
(5) Represents an overpayment of \$168.00.
(6) Represents an overpayment of \$167.00.
(7) Represents an overpayment of \$567.00.

has issued an appeal to all lodges to make a contribution to the campaign.

#### Conn. - \$2,313.26

CONNECTICUT—First Assistant Supreme Venerable John Ottaviano Jr., of New Haven, state chairman, has made several re mittances to Brother DeMartinia totaling \$741.26, raising Connecticut's present total to \$2,313.26. The state quota is \$9,000.

### Mass. - \$7,536.50

MASSACHUSETTS tances totaling \$262 have been made to Brother DeMartinis. First Assistant Grand Venerable Peter E. Donadio of Dorchester, state chairman, also reports that additional \$766.50 on hand brings total collections to \$7.-536.50. The state quota is \$55,000.

#### N. J. - \$2,822

NEW JERSEY - A remittance of \$21 and funds on hand totaling \$214 has raised New Jersey's total to \$2,822, according to a report received from Grand Venerable Francesco Palleria of Paterson, state chairman. The state quota

#### N. Y. - \$6,202.67

NEW YORK-Recent remtitances of \$207, plus a lodge contribution of \$300 to be remitted, has raised New York's total to \$6,202.67

#### Ohio - \$795.41

OHIO-A remittance of \$240.-41 has been made to Brother DeMartinis, raising the current state total to \$795.41. Louis Corsi of Bedford is state chairman, and the state quota is \$15,000.

#### Pa. - \$4,080

PENNSYLVANIA - Members of the Pennsylvania Order have contributed \$4,080 towards the state's quota of \$125,000. Re-

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lodge venerables, chairmen and committees for their efforts on behalf of the Home drive. He

"The cooperation I received from members of the Virginia Order was truly outstanding. Each lodge and individual member responded with sincere en-thusiasm to this major effort.

"Rest assured that we in Virginia will continue to raise funds for the National Memorial Home to the end that it will soon become a reality. It will be a glorious day for Sons of Italy everywhere when we have accomplished our goal."

The Roma Lodge No. 254 of Norfolk raised more than one-third of the state quota, solocit-

Members of Cuore di Maria and Gorizia Lodge No. 619, also of Norfolk, raised \$155.

In Portsmouth, members of Italo American Citizens Lodge 1077, solicited a total of

Members of Cornelia Ladies Lodge No. 1077, also of Ports-mouth, raised \$150. George Washington Lodge No.

2038 of Arlington, solicited \$150, and members in Hopewell Cristoforo Colombo Lodge No. 1508, raised \$15.

Supreme Chaplain's Corner

## THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

By RT. REV. MSGR. GUIDO L. PALLOTTA

Throughout history there have been scientists who have claimed that everything is explainable by science. Even in our own day there are some who claim that science. ence can duplicate almost everything, even life itself. Given sufficient time, they say, they will be able to reproduce life in the laboratory. Fortunately for religion they have not yet reached the point when they will claim to create some-

thing from nothing.

thing from nothing.

There have been men of science who have used their knowledge to disprove the very existence of God, claiming that this earth and the wonderful universe that surrounds us came into being fotuitously, or by a process of evolution from gasses, or by a form of self-creation—refusing to admit the first intelligent cause—God.

Nowadays there are fewer atheistic scientists. The further they explore the outer-space and the more they penetrate its vastness, the more humble they become, and the more ready they are to admit the existence of God.

The celebrated astronomer Athanasius Kirchner had

The celebrated astronomer Athanasius Kirchner had a friend who did not believe in the existence of God. They had many arguments on the subject. But, convinced as Kirchner was, he was unable to dissuade his friend from his atheistic attitude. "You are a fellow-scientist," Kirchner said to his friend, "look at the sun, the moon and the millions upon millions of stars that fill the firmament, notice the controlled movement of each that speaks eloquently of an intelligent power behind them, and tell me how they got there, if God did not put them there." His friend answered that they were self-made and self-existent. Some months later Kirchner again was visited by his friend. In the corner of the room there was a new globe The celebrated astronomer Athanasius Kirchner had

friend. In the corner of the room there was a new globe of the earth. It was a masterpiece of workmanship. Admiring it, his friend asked: "Who made it? I must get myself one like it." Kirchner answered: "Why, no one made it; it is self-made." When his friend showed anger at his reply, he said: "If the immense orbs of the heavens self-made, as you claim, why not this insignificant little globe?"
From then on his unbelieving friend became believing.

mittances to Brother DeMartinis total \$580.

John P. Crisconi Sr., of Philadelphia, is state chairman. is being assisted by Supreme Orator Joseph C. Palermo of Ambler, eastern chairman; Supreme Treasurer Joseph Cernuto of Mt. Pleasant, western chairman, and Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi of Philadelphia.

Wash. - \$3,874.50

WASHINGTON - A remittance of \$17 to Brother DeMartinis has raised the Northwest Grand Lodge's total to \$3,874.50. The quota of \$3,500 has now been surpassed by \$374.50. Dr. Nicholas Sarro of Seattle, Supreme Trustee, is state chairman.

## How They Stand In Home Drive

## Totals By Grand Lodges

Here is the standing of the various Grand Lodges in the National Memorial Home Fund Campaign.

These funds do NOT include assessments paid by the various Grand Lodges, and filial lodges directly under the jurisdic-tion of the Supreme Lodge, for the purchase of the site of the National Memorial Home and the razing of the old building on

	*Raised	State
	To Date	Quota
Massachusetts	\$7,536.50	\$55,000
	\$6,202.67	\$15,000
New York		
Illinois	\$5,315.00	\$7,000
Pennsylvania	\$4,080.00	\$125,000
Washington	\$3,874.50	\$3,500
Florida	\$3,200.00	\$4,200
New Jersey	\$2,822.00	\$7,500
Connecticut	\$2,313.26	\$1,500
Virginia	\$1,545.00	\$1,500
Maryland	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
West Virginia	\$1,441.65	\$6,000
Ontario	\$950.00	\$3,500
California	\$837.25	\$35,000
Ohio	\$795.41	\$15,000
Alabama	\$400.00	\$1,500
Delaware	\$260.00	\$2,000
Indiana	\$235.00	\$1,500
Rhode Island	\$85.00	\$6,000
Michigan	000.00	\$1,500
Nebraska	000.00	\$1,500
Quebec	000.00	\$1,000
Roma Lodge No. 71,		7-,000
Washington, D. C	\$3,920.00	\$1,200
		4-,100

\* On basis of reports received from State Chairmen.

Total ..... \$47,313.24

## Will Hold Convention In June

SAN FRANCISCO—The Grand Lodge of California, in preparing for the Grand convention to be held in June in Los Angeles, has asked all lodges to submit a candidate for the Queen contest which is a feature of California conventions.

The California Order each two years presents a colorful Coronation Pageant and Ball. The person chosen queen at the 1961 convention will reign until 1963.

Grand Recording Secretary Vincenzo Melella has issued instructions for the contest to each lodge.

## Gilroy Lodge Notes Birthday, Inducts Nine

GILROY, Calif. — A large gathering attended the 25th anniversary dinner-dance sponsored by Francesco DePinedo Lodge No. 1751.

Speakers at the dinner were Grand Orator Frank Ragone, Grand Deputy Angelo Licciardello, the Reverend Father Spada, missionary of the Italian Catholic Federation, and Venerable Antonio Caliri.

In other activities, a class of nine new members was inducted at ceremonies conducted by the lodge

Grand Orator Frank Ragone presided at the initiation. He was assisted by his wife, Mrs. Ragone, venerable of Duchessa d'Aosta Lodge of San Jose, who served as herald. Venerable Anthony Caliri received the thanks of the lodge for recruiting the nine members.

Miss Sandra Ragone, past queen of the California Order, was a guest.

## Golden Lion Lodge Honors Rocco Chiechi

SAN FRANCISCO — Grand Treasurer Rocco Chiechi was honored at the 26th anniversary dinner-dance sponsored by Golden Lion Lodge No. 1728 in the Sons of Italy Ballroom. More than 300 persons attended.

Epeakers and guests included Third Assistant Supreme Venerable Donato Ferrigno, Supreme Trustee Ciulia Besozzi, Supreme Trustee Charles Palazzolo, Grand Venerable, Attlio Raeta, Third Assistant Grand Venerable Salvatore Argento, state chairman of the national home drive; Grand Orator Frank Ragone and Grand Historian Angelo Bacoccina.

Superior Court Judge Walter Carpeneti was master of ceremonies.



SACRAMENTO, CALIF., BASEBALL CHAMPIONS FOR 6TH STRAIGHT YEAR

The Sons of Italy baseball team of Giacomo Puccini Lodge, entered in the 90 to 100-pound division, has captured the Sacramento Boy's Winter League championship for the sixth consecutive year. Front row, left to right, Joe Marty, Craig Pichinino, Steve Joseph, Jimmy Blomberg, Galen Capineri, Richie Sigl, Mike Baldwin, Ronnie Havey, Dave Hammitt. Second row, left to right, Royden Heitz, Mike Glasgow, Tracy Trotter, Coach Alvin Wood, Manager Elmer Thomas, Steve Wright, Glenn Wolff, Vernon Ishihara, Mike Eschman. Back row, left to right, Pete Tomasini, director of lodge athletics for the past 22 years; Hank Paschane, sponsor of the Sacramento Sewing Machine team and Paul Eschman, scorekeeper. Members of the lodge's athletic committee include Angelo Bonomi, Bert Bonomi, Jim Bruno, Lawrence Girolami, Peter Mannino, Peter Norcia, Manuel Petroli, Ed J. Ratoni and Bruno Tamantini.

## Attilio Raeta Announces New Lodge in Lakewood

SAN FRANCISCO — Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta has announced the formation of a new lodge in the California Order.

Tentative date for induction of the new Lakewood Lodge in Lakewood has been set for February 12

## Lodge Celebrates 29th Birthday

LOS ANGELES—Members and friends attended the 29th anniversary dinner-dance conducted by America Lodge No. 1069 at the Montebello Golf Country Club.

Second Assistant Grand Venerable Daniel D'Amico was a speaker. He was introduced by Joseph Palma, chairman and master of ceremonies.

#### John Parente Heads Lodge In Hamilton, Ont.

HAMILTON, Ont.—Atty. John A. Parente has been elected venerable for the 1961 term by members of Trieste Lodge No. 4.

Other oficers elected are Atty. Joseph Macaluso, assistant venerable; Atty. Angelo J. Agro, exvenerable; Pietro Cicchi, orator; Guido Girolami, recording secretary; Sam Cino, financial secretary; Vern Catania, treasurer; Alex Viola, Emilio Mascia, Eusebio Giardino, Frank Caprilli and Mike Pangia, trustees.

## San Francisco Lodge Anniversary

SAN FRANCISCO — Members of Dante Alighieri Lodge No. 1786 colebrated the lodge's 24th anniversary at a dinner-dance held in the Sons of Italy building.

Speakers included Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta, Supreme Trustee Charles Palazzolo, first venerable of Dante Lodge; First Assistant Grand Venerable Alfonco J. Zirpoli, city supervisor and acting mayor; Grand Re-

cording Secretary Vincenzo Melella, making his first official visit since his return from Italy, and Venerable John Figone.

Atty. Rose M. Fanucchi, president of the press and radio commission, was master of ceremonies.

Among the guests were Supreme Trustee Giulia Besozzi, Ex-Grand Venerable and Mrs. Peter J. Bertoglio, Grand Historian Angelo Bacoccina and Joseph Dambrosio.

## Raeta Honored at Berkeley

gathering of members and friends attended the Berkeley Lodge No. 1733 testimonial dinner held in honor of Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta.

Grand Venerable and Mrs. Raeta were presented a centerpiece by Venerable Rose Macari.

Speakers included Grand Venerable Raeta, Grand Orator, Frank Ragone, Grand Trustee

## Anthony Farano Attends Toronto Installation

TORONTO, Ont.—Grand Venerable Anthony Farano presided at the installation of officers at ceremonies conducted by Patronato Lodge No. 15.

Other Grand Lodge officers attending included Grand Orator Russell Romanelli of Hamilton, Grand Trustee Nicholas Zaffiro of Hamilton, and Grand Trustee Chester Nini.

Officers installed were G.Faiola, venerable; G. Angellotti, assistant venerable; E. Carfagnini, ex-venerable; V. Farano, ortor; P. Pecchia, recording secretary; F. Grittani, financial secretary; M. Tassiello, treasurer; E. Luceri, M. Stever, R. Falagaria and Ivoldo DiCarmine, trustees; G. Loparco and N. Fraticelli, masters of ceremony, and R. Grittani, sentinel.

#### Anniversary At Elmwood Park

ELMWOOD PARK, Ill.—Members of Paolo Longone Lodge No. 1869 held their annual dinnerdance at the Nielsen Restaurant.

Among the speakers were Grand Venerable Humphrey W. Serritella, Venerable Louis Napoleone and the Rev. Fr. Salvatore DeVito. Michael D. Fumo was toastmaster.

Guests included Grand Trustee D. M. Alberti, Grand Trustee Claire Menchini and Victor Lezza. Joseph DeFilly was chairman and Anthony Salerno, co-chairman.

BERKELEY, Calif. — A large Pat Mastrantonio, who was toastthering of members and friends master, and Venerable Macari.

Guests included Miss Dorothy Raeta, Mrs. Ragone, venerable of Duchessa d'Aosta Lodge; Mrs. Mastrantonio and Grand Deputy and Mrs. Guido Barbera.

Delegations attended from Martinez, Napa, Petaluma, Aura and San Rafael Lodges. Anthony Sannazzaro was general chair-

## Santa Maria Lodge Aids Home Drive

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — The members of Gabriele d'Annunzio Lodge No. 1585 gave an assist to the National Memorial Home campaign by donating the proceeds of the lodge's dinner held in observance of Columbus Day and the 30th anniversary of the founding of the lodge.

The proceeds were sent to Third Assistant Grand Venerable Salvatore Argento of Boyes Springs, state chairman of the Home drive.

An added highlight of the evening was the induction of the following new members: Irma Serafini, Charles Serafini, Sylvester Serafini, Maddalena Bognuda, William Bognuda and Caterina Rosa Adami.

Venerable Ottorino Bettiga

Venerable Ottorino Bettiga was assisted at the induction by Fred Valla of Marconi Lodge.

## Columbus Day At Rockford, Ill.

ROCKFORD, ILL.—More than 100 members and friends of Rockford Vigo Lodge No. 1637 attended the Columbus Day dinner sponsored by the lodge.

Valerio Agostinone of Rome, Italy, a representative of the Mission of the European Productive Agency and the Organization for European Economic Co-Operation, was principal speaker.

Other speakers included Mayor Benjamin T. Schleicher, Frank G. St. Angel and Venerable Samuel Mazzola. Vincent Caiozzo was toastmaster. Jerry Angileri was chairman.

#### Chicago

## De Florio, Past Grand Officer, Dead at 77

CHICAGO — Nicholas V. De-Florio, 77, a member of the Illinois Order since its inception in 1924, is dead.

Brother DeFlorio was honored in 1949 when he was made an Honorary Grand Officer of the Grand Lodge in recognition of his service to the Order.

He had served as Grand Orator and Assistant Grand Venerable, was a Supreme Deputy to the Grand Lodge of Nebraska and was a Supreme Delegate to the 1951 Supreme Convention held in Boston, Mass.

He was well known as an organizer and assisted in the formation of several lodges. He was the organizer of the Giustizia Lodge.

Brother DeFlorio first joined the Arte E Professione Lodge and later transferred to the Ragusa Lodge. He served several offices in both lodges, and had served on many committees.

He leaves his wife, Antonietta DeFlorio; a son, Ralph; three daughters, Angelina DeFlorio, Mrs. Lucia Rainone, Mrs. Mary Ziccardi; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## Skokie Lodge 5th Anniversary

SKOKIE, III.—A large gathering attended the 5th anniversary dinner-dance sponsored by Skokie Valley Lodge No. 2046 held at the Villa Venice in North Brook.

Speakers included Grand Ven-

erable Humphrey W. Serritella, Chicago; Grand Trustee D. M. Alberti lodge organizer; Venerable Mario Tonelli and Victor E. Ponto, chairman.

Certificates were presented to 37 charter members by Grand Trustee Alberti.

The lodge is currently conducting a drive to raise its membership to 500 members.

Urge your lodge to purchase a Pillar of Marble Citation or Golden Certificate to help achieve the \$400,000 goal in the Home drive.

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## Public Relations in Action

Last month, A. Alfred Marcello, national chairman of pubrelations, dispatched instructions and publicity material relative to the Supreme Council plenary sessions in Miami,



Fla., to Renzo Abbondanciolo of Coral Ga-bles, a member of the National Committee on Public Relations. He was instructed to cordinate his work with John Copuzelo of Miami, state chairman of public relations.

Abbondandolo now reports that the com-

ing Supreme Council meeting is receiving wide advance publicity in the Miami area by the local press and radio and television stations.

Brother Abbondandolo, who is also one of the "Greeters" of the city of Miami, has been asked by Mayor Robert King High to be his personal representative in offering assistance to the Sons of Italy visitors.

ABBONDANDOLO Further, the national public relations committeeman has received the cooperation of Joseph Boise, assistant manager of the publicity department of Miami.

## PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAM

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tion they were asked to contact lodges under their jurisdiction and request they form a public relations committee.

The Grand Lodges were also notified that a national meeting of state public relations chairmen would be called at which a national public relations program would be represented.

Such a program will be presented at the Supreme Council plenary session by National Pub-Relations Chairman Marcello

The following state chairmen have been appointed:

Atty. Stephen D. Maffini, San Francisco, Calif.

Ex-Grand Venerable Dominic Cocco, Bridgeport, Conn.

Supreme Recording Secretary Joseph A. L. Errigo, Wilmington,

John R. Copuzelo, Miami, Fla.

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also discuss a program of public

relations for the Order.

Gov. John A. Volpe, Winches-

ter, Mass., will report on the pro-gress of the National Memorial

Home fund drive, of which he is

Attending the sessions will be

Supreme Lodge officers, Grand Venerables and chairmen of per-manent national committees.

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Monaca will conduct the Munici-

A reception for council mem-

bers and open house is scheduled

for Saturday, Feb. 4, at the Mi-ami Lodge Sons of Italy Build-ing. Venerable William Castel-

FLORIDA

national chairman.

BANQUET

lano is chairman.

pal Symphony Orchestra.

Grand Venerable Humphrey W. Serritella, Chicago, Ill.

Antonio Puperi, Gary, Ind. Judge Vito A. Marino, Luth-

erville, Md. Atty. Joseph B. Silverio, Bos-

ton Mass.

Assistant Grand Venerable Joseph C. Cassini, Orange, N. J. Grand Recording Secretary Gregorio Morabito, Mt. Vernon,

Supreme Trustee Anthony E. Candela, Ashtabula, Ohio.

Grand Recording Secretary Josephine Lavey, Welland, Ont. John Frasca, Philadelphia, Pa.

Atty. Raymond J. Pettine, Providence, R. I.

Judge Savory Amato, Norfolk,

Supreme Trustee Dr. Nicholas

Sarro, Seattle, Wash.
Louis A. Paterno, Charleston,

## Syracuse Food Sale Helps Home Fund

SYRACUSE, N. Y. - Golden Jubilee Lodge No. 2044 sponsored a variety food sale last month to raise funds for the National Memorial Home drive and the

Christmas party and dinner at the Yates Hotel. Highlights of the program included entertainment, exchange of gifts and disclosure of secret pals of the year. Grand Deputy Mrs. Rose Bonnaci was a guest of the lodge

The committee, Mrs. Mary Embesi, general chairman; Mrs. Maria Dellunto, Mrs. Mary Di-Giulio, Mrs. Frances Pascarelli, Mrs. Adeline DelVecchio, venerable, and Mrs. Aida Sansone

Members of Onesta E Lavoro Lodge held their Christmas party at Palmers Restaurant. Walter Lodovico was the principal speaker. Joseph Lostumbo was toast-master. The committee, Venerable Joseph Nave, Mrs. Alice Esposito, Mrs. Carmen Esposito and Vincent Vezza.

## Lodge Holds Supper At Ambridge, Pa.

AMBRIDGE, Pa.—Members of La Vittoria Lodge sponsored a spaghetti supper held in the lodge quarters.

The committee, Mary Panaia, venerable; Connie Garcia Theresa, assistant venerable; Josephine Rossi, ex-venerable and trustee of the Women's Division; Rose Santarelli, trustee and publicity director; Julia Liberto, Rose Cardinale, recording secretary; Angeline Montemayer, Ange Borgia, AnnaMontes,,Delucey Palaiani and Olga Cardinale.

#### WALTHAM HAYRIDE

WALTHAM, Mass.—A hayride highlighted recent activities sponsored by the Waltham Boys Junior Lodge. Dave Taranto was

## Grand Lodge Scholarship fund. The lodge held its annual

#### Philadelphia Lodge Inducts 2

PHILADELPHIA - The induction of two new members high-lighted recent activities sponored by members of Longfellow-

Metropolitan Lodge No. 1876. New members were sponsored Rosalind DiBlase.

In other activities the lodge conducted a children's Christmas a Christmas social for members and a Fall Frolic.



PRINCIPALS AT SYRACUSE, N. Y. LODGE FUNCTION Walter Ludovico, right, coach of Christian Brothers Academy, was principal speaker at the Christmas party sponsored by Onesta e Lavoro Lodge at Palmer's Restaurant. From left to right, Joseph Lostumbo, toastmaster; Joseph Battaglino, assistant venerable; James Salomone; Mrs. Aida Sansone Ranalli, chairman; Joseph Nave, venerable, and Ludovico.



U. S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HONORS LOPRESTI U. S. Deputy Marshal Stephen LoPresti of Ansonia, Conn., left, is presented certificate of award for 25 years of meritorious service in the Department of Justice by Chief Judge Robert Anderson at ceremonies held in the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut, at New Haven. The award was signed by U. S. Atty. Gen. William P. Rogers. Lo-Presti, a member of the Order for 45 years, is currently serving 29th year as venerable of Duca D'aosta Lodge of Ansonia. He has served as a grand delegate and supreme delegate. Lo-Presti also holds the Star of Solidarity medal presented in 1952 by the Italian government.

#### New York

### Cortland Lodges Fete Children

CORTLAND, N. Y. - More than 200 children were entertained at the annual Christmas party sponsored by San Rocco Lodge No. 1632. Members of Stella D'Oro Lodge No. 1730 assisted at the party.

Highlights included movies. refreshments and distribution of

In other lodge sponsored activities the San Rocco Small Fry football team captured the city championship. The lodge has sponsored the team for the past two years. The league is composed of five teams.

The lodge also is sponsoring a

bowling team in the City Fraternal League.

#### D'Oro Lodge Notes 26th Anniversary

CORTLAND, N.Y.-More than 100 persons attended the 26th anniversary dinner - dance of Stella D'Oro Lodge held at the San Rocco Lodge.
Atty. Peter Brevett was princi-

Atty. Peter Brevett was principal speaker. The Rev. Joseph B. Delahunt and Mrs. Clara Baranello, former venerable, were speakers. Anthony Tesori was toastmaster.

## Bronx Member Honored at Dinner-Dance

BRONX, N. Y .- John Satriale, organizer of Uguaglianza Lodge No. 83, was honored at a testimonial dinner-dance sponsored by the lodge.

Judge Carmine A. Ventiera of Brooklyn, Grand Venerable of the New York Order, was a speaker.

Other speakers included U. S. Rep. Alfred Santangelo, Bishop Joseph F. Pernicone and Law-rence E. Gerosa.

## Binghamton Activities

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.-Silver Star Lodge No. 1916 and Sons of Italy Lodge No. 487 held their annual spaghetti supper Janu-ary 21 in the lodge quarters. Proceeds were presented to the March of Dimes fund.

Venerables are Mrs. Joseph Fabrizio and Sam Ruffo. Pio Sementelli was chairman and Mrs. Frank Coloneri was co-chairman. Others who assisted, Mrs. Michael Smaldino, secretary, Mrs. Anthony Magnotto, treas-urer and Mrs. Leonard Altieri, publicity.

Have you purchased a \$5 marble block to help the Sons of Italy Foundation and National Home fund? Do it new!

## Connecticut To Honor Dominick Cocco

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. - The Grand Lodge of Connecticut will honor Ex-Grand Vener-

able Dominick Cocco at a testimonial banquet here in recognition of his many years of service to the Order.

Grand Recording Secretary Louis N. Nardelliof Waterbury is



assisting with arrangements.

Cocco, a member of the Order's National Historical Society and Garibaldi-Meucci Memorial Museum Committee, served as Grand Venerable from 1954 to 1959.

#### Norfolk, Va.

## Lodges Hold Columbus Day Dinner-Dance

NORFOLK, Va. - More than 200 persons including Supreme and Grand Lodge officers attended the Columbus Day dinnerdance sponsored by members of Roma Lodge No. 254 and Cuore di Maria Lodge No. 619 in the Monticello Hotel.

Speakers were Supreme Trustee Italo D. Iaccheri, Richmond; Grand Venerable Frank Montagna; Calvin D. Dalby, director public safety; Police Chief Harold Anderson, and B. A. Banks, sponsor of Columbus Day legislation to make Columbus Day, Oct. 12, a legal holiday.

## Members Attend Women's Forum In Richmond

RICHMOND, Va. - A delegation from the Giuseppe Verdi Lodge No. 315 attended the 12th Women's Forum here presented by Miller & Rhoads.

Italian Ambassador Manlio Brosio was principal speaker. He was introducted by U. S. Rep. J. Vaughan Gary of Virginia's 3rd

Guests included Vice Adm. John T. Hayward and Tennant Bryan, president and publisher of Times Dispatch and News

Verdi Lodge members attending were Mrs. F. Stebbing, Mrs. H. Horney, Mrs. H. M. Oliva, Mrs. D. DaGaetani, Mrs. T. Franchi and Mrs. P. Valdrighi.

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## RECORDS IN REVIEW

- By A. ALFRED MARCELLO -

London Records has done it again! This enterprising recording company has come up with a gorgeous stereo version of Johann Strauss' operetta DIE FLEDERMAUS. Certainly, the London recording outshines and outclasses any other recording of this vivacious musical tid-bit by

The London version (three discs) is expertly recorded, stylishly sung and brilliantly conducted by Herbert von Karajan. The recording follows the old Vienese New Year tradition of inviting guest stars to the fabulous Act II party given by Prince Orlovsky, and what a parade of stars!

The avid Strauss operatic fan may react violently to the deliberate wackiness of the performances of the guest stars at Prince Orlovsky's party. And well he might because entertainment provided by these stars threatens to overshadow the charming performances by the cast which includes Hilde Gueden, Erika Koeth, Regina Resnik, Giuseppe Zampieri and Erich Kunz.

The guest stars who perform at the Prince's party number such celebrities as Renata Tebaldi, Fernando Corena, Birgit Nilsson, Mario del Monaco, Teresa Berganza, Joan Sutherland, Jussi Bjoerling, Leontyne Price, Giulietta Simionato, Ettore Bastianini and Liuba Welitsch.

And these stars enliven the proceedings no end. For sheer fun the high spot in Prince Orlovsky's musical shindig is a duet sung in phonetic English and with Italian asides by Giulietta Simionato and Ettore Bastianini.

We have never heard anything quite like this duet, "I Can Do Anything Better Than You," from the Broadway show, "Anne Get Your Gun."

But notwithstanding the hilarity and zaniness of the gala parade of stars at Prince Orlovsky's party, the Strauss score does not lose its grace nor elegance.

We found London's "Fledermaus" a wonderful experience and we are certain that you will, too.

### Some Bargain LP's

The Richmond Division of London Records makes news this month. The word is that Richmond has taken a giant step in adding to its catalog by transferring some of the choicest London recordings to the Richmond label. This brings top recordings within the reach of the audiophile with a modest pocketbook. These albums are a bargain at the price of \$1.98 per record for mono recordings.

A number of multiple albums have been made available. For example there is the three record set of the complete ST. MATTHEW'S PASSION by Bach at \$5.94. And it's a good recording, too, featuring contralto Kathleen Ferrier.

Then there's the two-record album SLEEPING BEAUTY featuring the Paris Conservatory Orchestra, Anatole Fistoulari, conducting. This set is priced at \$3.96. And for the same low price you can purchase the celebrated original Munchinger version of the Bach Brandenburg Concertos on two records.

On single records are available:
Music of Ketelbey — New Symphony Orchestra, Sanford Robinson, conducting, Lovely music. In
Persian Garden, In a Monastery

Garden, The Sanctuary of the

Beethoven — Wilhelm Backhaus in splendid interpretations of the classic Piano Concerto No. 5 (Emperor) and Piano Con-

Suppe Overtures — Georgi Solti and the London Philharmonic Orchestra in effective performances of Poet and Peasant, Light Cavalry and Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna.

Music of Johann and Josef Strauss — Clemens Krauss and the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra in a rousing performance of Tales from the Vienna Woods, Pizzicato Polka and the Egyptian March

### Critic's Choice

MOUSSORGSKY — Pictures at an Exhibition. An electrifying performance by Sviatoslav Richter, the Russian pianist for Columbia Records. Richter leaves no doubt as to his virtuosity. There is dimension and color to his interpretation. This recording was made at an actual recital in Bulgaria almost three years ago. This is one album the audiophile will want for his collection.

BEATRICE LILLIE—The inimitable comedienne gives her usual brilliant performance as the narrator for Peter and The Wolf and The Carnival of the Animals. Skitch Henderson conducts the London Symphony Orchestra. Julius Katchen and Gary Graffman give an excellent account of themselves at the piano. An admirable performance all-around of two priceless works for both young and old alike. Wonderful sound. On London label.

RAVEL — Eugene Ormandy and the Philadelphia Orchestra are right at home in the familiar Bolero, Alborada del Gracioso and Le Tombeau de Couperin. The sound is gorgeous and the orchestra executes these numbers with every nuance carefully planned and executed. Columbia Masterworks, both stereo and

SCHUMANN — The pianist Wilhelm Backhaus gives a splendid performance in the re-issues of Schumann's Concerto in A Minor and Waldscenen Opus 82. Backhaus gives these two works the type of reading one usually associates with a great artist. There is warmth and strength to his performance. Reproduction is excellent throughout. London stereo.

BRAHMS - DVORAK — Fritz Reiner conducts the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra in a variety of Hungarlan dances by Brahms and Slavonic dances by Dvorak. Undoubtedly one of the best recordings of the familiar music by Brahms and Dvorak. This album marks Fritz Reiner's debut on London Records and an auspicious debut it is. Reiner is superlative as usual. He gives an exciting interpretation of the popular dances associated with the old Austria-Hungary Empire. The stereo sound is tops.

## Audio Fidelity's "Sound Effects" Is Fun for All

If you want to show off your new stereo equipment Audio Fidelity has just the album for you. It's called "Sound Effects Volume I." You can have a barrel of fun playing it.

Recorded in locked grooves are a variety of sound effects. There's the sound of jets taking off. Not just one particular jet, but several of them. There's a Viscount, a 707, DC8 and a DC7, among others.

The album contains some 50 separate cuts, all realistically recorded. There are fire engines, steam engines, telephones, pin ball machines, creaking doors, the roar of crowds, typewriters, firecrackers popping off and many more.

#### Capsule Reviews

HALL OF FAME — Winifred Atwell displays her extraordinary talent at the piano in this London stereo release. This album has been labelled as a "musical facsimile" of 13 men artists who have achieved fame for their piano playing. Miss Atwell, for example, plays I'll Remember April in the style of George Shearing; Down by the Old Mill Stream, in the style of Nat King Cole; How are Things in Glocca Morra? as essayed by Roger Williams, and Manhattan, as played by Carmen Cavallaro.

CLANCY HAYES — Tap your toes to Clancy Hayes' Dixieland Band on a new Audio Fidelity stereo recording. Superb sound. And a solid performance of such favorites as Up A Lazy River, Balling the Jack, Huggin' and a Chalkin', Washboard Blues, Sweet Georgia Brown, Willie the Weeper and Easy Street.

MANTOVANI — The maestro of the tumbling strings comes up with another hit album in the London recording of the music from Exodus and other oustanding themes. Mantovani handles the main theme from the film, Exodus with tender care. Also in this album are the main themes from Song Without End, A Summer Place, The Alamo, The Sundowners and Can-Can. And from the Broadway stage are selections from Irma LaDouce, Mr. Wonderful, The Music Man and Carousel. The sound is of the best.

#### A Columbia Gem

Two of Aaron Copland's best known works—BILLY THE KID and RODEO have been given the master's touch in a new Columbia release featuring Leonard Bernstein and the New York Philharmonic. The album both in stereo and mono, have been released in observance of Copland's 60th birthday.

Sonically this disc leaves little to be desired. And as for performance, Bernstein and the New York Philharmonic give both works a spirited but sensitive in-

This is the kind of music that is tailored for Bernstein. The young maestro sparkles every moment. And he manages to translate this feeling to his musicians for matchless performances.

Urge your lodge to purchase a Pillar of Marble Citation or Golden Certificate to help achieve the \$400,000 goal in the Home drive. Letters From Our Readers

## IN THE MAILBAG

This column is open to all readers for expressions of opinion. As an evidence of good faith contributors are expected to sign name and address. When it is so requested the name will not be published. Letters will be published in the order they are received.

COMMENDS PUBLIC RELATIONS ACTIVITIES

Dear Brother Marcello:

Thank you for the latest bulletin on your committee's activities and the help received from the Anti-Defamation League. I think you and your committee are doing a tremendous job and I wish to express my pleasure and congratulate you all.

However, above everything else, may I extend my personal admiration to you for the immense amount of work you have done and are doing on behalf of all Americans of Italian extraction. Your efforts are indefatigable and I am sure they will be crowned by success. What we need is more individuals like you.

Peter Torrieri Baltimore, Md.

#### A SUPPORTER OF THE NATIONAL HOME PROJECT

Dear Brother Marcello:

The National Home is of intense interest to me and I have made a good donation to it through Dr. Nicholas Sarro of Seattle, Wash. The five dollars I am sending you today is to help the OSIA

The five dollars I am sending you today is to help the OSIA NEWS which gives me each month news about the Home and other activities of the Order.

I was especially interested in your November editorial, "Where

Edith M. Valikanje

#### PRIEST PRAISES WORK OF OSIA NEWS

To th Editor of OSIA NEWS:

Keep up the good work. OSIA NEWS is one of the best things that ever hit our Sons of Italy Lodges. It helps them realize what they are, and spurs them to greater heights. I shall be very glad, always, to cooperate with you in its work.

Rev. John J. Capuano Fitchburg, Mass.

PRAISE FROM ANSONIA, CONN.

To the Editor of OSIA NEWS:

Enclosed please find our \$5.00 check from members of Bella Sicilia Lodge No. 852 for our holiday greetings. Best wishes to you all for the fine work your paper is doing and I am glad to say that all of our members enjoy reading it immensely.

Venerable Frances Carrubba Ansonia, Conn.

## New Year Geetings

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## Order Represented At Inauguration

By ALBERT A. MAINO

BOSTON—Supreme and Grand officers were among the several hundred members of the Massachusetts Order present at the inauguration of John A. Volpe of Winchester as the 61st Governor of Massachusetts.
It could well have been Sons

of Italy Day here as both gover-nors are members of the Order. Foster Furcolo, the outgoing governor, is an honorary member of the Order, and Governor Volpe, who is national chairman of the National Memorial Home fund drive, has been a member for 27 He is a past grand financial secretary of the Massa-chusetts Order and has held the chairmanship of several state-wide fund and membership

Supreme Venerable Present

Extending the well wishes of the Supreme Lodge and Massachusetts Grand Lodge were Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi of Woburn, and Grand Venerable and Mrs. Paul A. D'Agostino of Green Harbor

Other Supreme Lodge officers attending the inaugural cere-monies included Superior Court Judge Felix Forte of Somerville, Past Supreme Venerable, who attended with members of Massachusetts Superior Court Bench; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta of Revere, Supreme Chaplain, and Supreme Trustee Peter B. Gay of Taunton,

attending, who are members of the Order, were Judge Frank W. Tomasello of Belmont and Judge Francis J. Quirico of Pittsfield.

Present and past Grand Lodge officers present included Second Assistant Grand Venerable Mad-eline Miceli of Medford; Past Grand Venerable Joseph B. Silverio of Allston, a member of the inaugural committee; Roy C. Papalia, a former grand officer and supreme trustee; Past Grand Trustee Louis Moccia of Lexington and Past Grand Trustee Elsie Apicella of Hopedale; Guy Rizzotto, chairman of the Massachusetts Magazine Commission. and Frank Bucci, magazine ed-

Massachusetts members representing the greater part of state's 138 lodges were in attend-



CONGRATULATIONS FOR NEW GOVERNOR
Gov. John A. Volpe of Winchester, Mass., center, receives congratulations at inaugural ceremonies at State House, Boston, from Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi of Woburn, Mass., left, and Past Grand Venerable Joseph B. Silverio of Allston, a member of the Massachusetts Inaugural Committee. Governor Volpe is national chairman of the Order's National Memorial Home fund drive and a trustee of the Sons of Italy Foundation.

## Columbus Day in Massachusetts

#### Lynn

LYNN, Mass .- A highlight of the Columbus Day observance by the Sons of Italy here was the

presentation of the Italian flag to Mayor Thomas P. Costin. Making the presentation were Grand Deputy Edmondo Tocco, Frank Prioli and Alfonso Rogato.

#### Hingham

HINGHAM, Mass.—More than 200 members and friends attended the annual Columbus Day dinner sponsored by South Shore

Dr. Andrew J. Torrielli of Belmont was principal speaker.

Other speakers included Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino of Green Harbor, the Rev. Fr. Edmund P. Campbell, O.B.S., prior of the Glastonbury Monastery, and Samuel Cassidy, who was presented the "Public Servant Award," for outstanding and unselfish service to the youth of

#### Natick

NATICK, Mass.-Members of Francesco DeSanctis Lodge held their Columbus Day dinner-dance

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at the Italian Center. More than 250 persons attended.

Delegations from Framingham, Marlboro, Milford and Newton attended. Rudy Zullo and John Lavezzo were chairmen.

#### Wakefield

WAKEFIELD, Mass.—A large gathering of members and friends attended the Columbus Day banquet sponsored by the Wakefield Ladies' Lodge and the William Paca Lodge.

Grand Trustee Anthony Mosca, representing Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, was principal

Second Assistant Grand Venerable Madeline Miceli spoke on the contributions made by Italians to world culture.

#### Winchester

WINCHESTER, Mass. - Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi of Woburn, was principal speaker at the Columbus Day banquet sponsored by the Winchester Men's and Ladies' Lodges.

National Home Chairman and Mrs. John A. Volpe were among the guests attending.

Speakers included Venerable inthony Vespucci, Venerable Anthony Vespucci, Venerable Mrs. William Flore, Chief of Po-lice Joseph Derro, Selectman H. aGrdner Bradlee and the Rt. Rev Msgr. John M. Manion, pastor of St. Mary's Church. Robert Maletta was toast-

#### Woburn

WOBURN, Mass.-The Order's official national flower, the Purple Aster, was worn by those attending the Columbus Day banquet sponsored by the Woburn Men's and Ladies' Lodges.

The banquet was held in the

former Shaker Glen House, recently acquired by the lodge.

Speakers included Mayor John F. Gilgun, Grand Trustee Anthony Mosca and the Rev. Fr. Francis Mackin of St. Thomas' Parish, Wilmington.

## D'Agostino Speaker at Arlington

ARLINGTON, Mass. - Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino of Green Harbor was principal speaker at the 26th anniversary dinner-dance sponsored by Arlington Ladies' Lodge at the Lido Room of the Fresh Pond Grille in Cambridge.

Guests included Second Assistant Grand Venerable Madeline Miceli, Medford; Mrs. Nikki Mosoa, grand deputy, and Venerable and Mrs. Vincent Laycano.

Mrs. Lucy Tocio was chairman, assisted by Mrs. Amelia Colella. Mrs. Ranauro, lodge venerable, and Mrs. Tocio, were presented

### Fashion Show At Somerville

SOMERVILLE, Mass. — Members of Somerville Ladies' Lodge held a fashion show and tea at the Dante Club Hall.

The Fashions from Touraines of Arlington were modeled by members of the lodge. Models were Yolanda Giannone, Joanne Marchese, Edith Durrell, Peggy Dalessio, Marion Ciano, Josephine Falco, Anna Valente and Joanne

#### Mrs. Miceli Named To Volpe's Staff

BOSTON - Gov. John A. Volpe has appointed Mrs. Madeline Miceli of Medford to his executive staff.

Mrs. Miceli, who is second assistant Grand Venerable of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, has been named assistant secretary for appointments for state serv-

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### Lawrence and Stoneham Lodges

## Induct 'Madeline Miceli Classes'

BOSTON - Mrs. Madeline H. DeSantis, Mrs. Emilia DeSantis, Miceli of Medford, Second Assistant Grand Venerable, was honored by lodges in Lawrence and Stoneham at recent initiation

"Madeline Miceli Classes" of new members were inducted into the Order by the two lodges. A class of 16 was initiated by the Lawrence Ladies Lodge, and 18 new members were inducted by Stoneham Ladies' Lodge.

Second Assistant Grand Venerable Miceli, first woman to be elected to the office, was a speaker at the separate functions

At Lawrence, members inducted were Mrs. Mary Aribella, Mrs. Rose DeLuca, Mrs. Helen

Mrs. Eleanor Fulgione, Mrs. Mary Motta, Mrs. Josephine Conte, Mrs. Dorothy Sisto, Mrs. Bruna Geary, Mrs. Grace Moschetto, Mrs. Mary Sapienza, Mrs. Joan Quinto, Mrs. Antonette Lee, Connie Miroglietta, Joyce

Marabito and Josephine DeLuca.
At Stoneham, Mrs. Patricia
Huygens, Mamia Schiavone, Mary Champa, Annette Corriero, Kathleen Rizzeri, Mary DiMinico, Phyllis Pinciaro, Marylyn Juffie, Shirley Fleming, Eileen DiGangi, Patricia DiMarzo, Theresa Di-Claccio, Helen Vacca, Concetta Cameron, Sarah Carapezza, Anna Ciampa, Lee DiGangi and Mrs. Rose DeVito.

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